



## Nevada Division of State Parks

Department of Conservation and  
Natural Resources



## Creating Premier Parks In Nevada

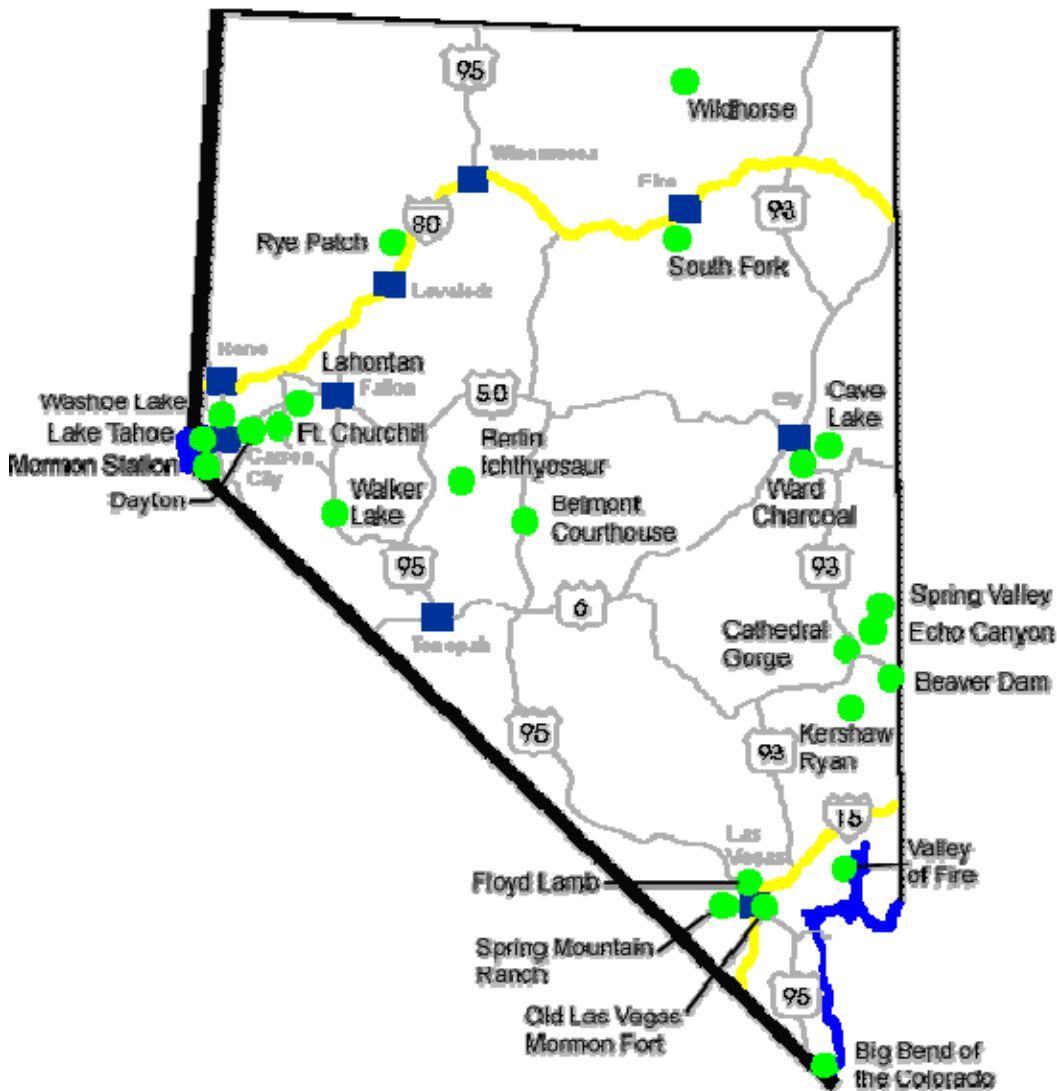
Nevada Division of State Park Master Plans Update as of 4/19/2007

Since the late spring of 2006, Nevada Division of State Parks has been working on a new cycle of park master planning updates. "Most all of our park master plans are now 14-22 years old; some are getting very obsolete," says Dave Morrow, State Park's Administrator. "Our top priorities for this year are **Dayton State Park, South Fork Recreation Area, Spring Mountain Ranch State Park, Valley of Fire State Park and Beaver Dam State Park.**"

State Parks in partnership with the City of Las Vegas has recently completed the **Floyd Lamb State Park** master plan and the park ownership has moved to the City.

Leading off the new State Park's master planning cycle was a plan revision for **Dayton State Park**. A series of workshops were held in partnership with Lyon County to discuss future management of this park. The first meeting was held in June of 2006 (<http://parks.nv.gov/temp/Day Public Mtg.pdf>) and was well attended. A range of recommendations were received and a Preferred Alternative for the Park will be presented at a public meeting in spring of 2007.

**Beaver Dam State Park:** Beaver Dam Master Plan public workshops in Las Vegas and Caliente both went well, with many substantive comments and suggestions made by participants. While dam reconstruction is not in the cards, site restoration and stabilization with other recreation facility expansion is recommended.



The first public meeting for the **South Fork State Recreation Area** to discuss issues and opportunities for the reservoir was held on March 8,

2007 from 7:00 to 9:00 pm at the Elko Convention Center. It was a great success and a range of recommendations was developed. Alternatives will soon be developed by State Parks utilizing the public and partners input in coordination with the Elko County Commission. The goal is to have those alternatives ready to be presented to the public early summer!

**Spring Mt. Ranch State Park** and **Valley of Fire State Park** planning is at the data collection and mapping stage. State Parks will begin public meetings in the mid summer of 2007 and into the fall.

Master planning for the **Dangberg Home Ranch is complete!** All the buildings on the 5.5 acre park site have new roofs. Building stabilization and some restoration work is scheduled to commence this spring/summer. The park is now open to Tours by reservation only. See the home web page for more information.

**Van Sickle Bi-State Park:** Phase I development - 60% plans have been submitted for review, and authorization for \$3.2 million construction funding has been requested (SB 55), with construction scheduled to begin Fall '07.

You can track the process Nevada State Park's website at <http://parks.nv.gov>. If you have any questions please contact: Jenny Scanland at 775-684-2787 or email at [jscanland@parks.nv.gov](mailto:jscanland@parks.nv.gov).

## **BACKGROUND:**

Nevada Division of State Parks Policy directs that all Park Development Plans should be reviewed and updated on a 15 year cycle. Dayton State Park plan was last updated in 1990. The plan is 16 years old.

A Development Plan is the Division's official statement which sets forth:

1. the park development plan,
2. administration and staffing plan,
3. interpretive plan,
4. law enforcement,
5. maintenance plan,
6. resource management plan,
7. recreation plan and;
8. any concession plans for a state park unit.



### ***Information and Data Gathering***

Initiate Process

Site Inventory and Analysis

Composite Site Analysis

Gather draft issues, goals and objectives from surveys etc.

### ***Public Participation***

Among the methods used to be responsive to existing and future needs are: 1) Survey of users, 2) Public meetings, 3) Continued liaison with community groups by staff, 4) Monitoring of trends and actual park use.

First Workshop

Define Goals and Objectives

Identify Issues and opportunities

***Develop Alternatives in response to First Workshop Issues and Opportunities.***

Second Workshop

Update from First Workshop

Present Opportunities in form of alternatives.

***Written Comments***

Third Workshop, if needed

***Completed Revised Plan***

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